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A NEW SUBSPECIES OF HELICOSTYLA FLORIDA FROM MINDORO, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

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Since the publication of my paper on "The tree Snails of the Genus Cochlostyla of Mindoro Province, Philippine Islands," there has come to hand from various sources a dark colored race of Helicostyla florida from the southern part of the Island of Mindoro, which merits recognition with a trinomial name, which is here furnished. Incidentally, it is well to state here that additional research has shown that the genus must be called Helicostyla not Cochlostyla used for it in my 1938 paper.

Helicostyla florida saturata, new subspecies

The shell, as far as shape is concerned, agrees with the typical race. It differs from all the other described subspecies in having the outer lip chocolate brown; in the other subspecies this is white excepting in Helicostyla florida fuscolabiata Mollendorff, Kobelt and Winter, in which the outer lip has a brownish wash. The main coloration of this, however, is bright brown not green as in the present form.

The type, U.S.N.M. No. 543504, has 5.5 whorls and measures: Length, 40 mm.; greater diameter, 28 mm. It was collected by Pedro de Mesa at Bulalação, southeastern Mindoro.

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